

**Montgomery County Commissioners Meeting
September 16, 2003 ~ 6:00 p.m.
Chairman – Billy Maness
Vice-Chairman – Dolon Corbett
Commissioner – R.C. Bostic
Commissioner – Sally Morris
Commissioner – George Knight, Jr.**

**County Manager – Lee Matthews
Clerk to the Board – Laura B. Morton
County Attorney – Russell J. Hollers**

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioner's met in regular session on September 16, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioner's Room of the County Administration Building. All Board members were present. *Chairman Maness called the meeting to order and the following was heard:*

Rev. Ernesto Robledo from Prince of Peace Baptist Church gave the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and so the motion to approve the minutes carried unanimously.

Public Forum

Mr. Robert Dennis appeared before the board. He told the board his house burned last Sunday when he was gone to church. He said he went to see about getting a singlewide and he was told he couldn't put a singlewide on his property because of the zoning. He said a singlewide is all he can afford. He said he owns 20 acres and he would like to be able to live on the property. Chairman Maness asked if he had been to the Inspections officer? Mr. Henley was in the audience and he said Mr. Dennis has, it was a matter of paperwork and going before the Planning Board to apply for a rezoning or a hardship case.

Public Hearing: Update 10 Year Solid Waste Plan

Chairman Maness closed the regular session and called to order the public hearing regarding the Update on the 10 Year Solid Waste Plan.

Nancy Ruppert a resident of Biscoe appeared before the board. She said that when she went to the library, the information regarding the plan wasn't there as stated in the public hearing advertisement. Mr. Matthews said that was an oversight on our part, but the information is there now and also in our office.

Nancy Ruppert said we as a community have failed in waste reduction. She requested that education on waste reduction be included in this plan. Mr. Matthews said he certainly thinks that is a good idea.

This plan will be on the agenda for a vote at the next meeting of the commissioners.

Planning & Zoning Board Report

Hardship Case – Michael Goforth

Mr. Henley explained that this request was originally a rezoning request, however due to the number of calls he received, he sat down with the Goforth's to discuss the request with them,

and the request changed to a hardship case. Their daughter is in need of another place. He also said that the Goforth's understand that once the hardship is lifted the trailer will have to be pulled off. Mr. Henley also said the Goforth's thought they would put in a doublewide before then.

Commissioner Knight asked if anything is in writing that once the hardship is lifted the trailer will have to be moved? Mr. Henley said yes. Mr. Matthews said that the formal application with their signature is also on file.

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Morris, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the hardship case for Michael Goforth.

Special Exemption/Variance Request – Donald and Louise Lassiter

In a motion made by Commissioner Bostic, seconded by Commissioner Corbett, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the Special Exemption/Variance Request for Donald and Louise Lassiter.

Adoption of Cablevision Franchise Ordinance

In a motion made by Chairman Maness, seconded by Commissioner Knight, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the second reading of the Cable Franchise Ordinance between Montgomery County and Uwharrie Communications.

Adoption of Hwy. 24/27 Resolution

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Knight, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

**Requesting That N.C. Hwy 24/27 Through Montgomery County
Be Designated As
Robert “Bob” B. Jordan, III Highway**

Whereas, Montgomery County, N.C. is proud to be the home of the Honorable Robert “Bob” B. Jordan, III; and

Whereas, the mayors from all five towns within Montgomery County are also proud to acknowledge the dedication and support Mr. Jordan has given over the years; and

Whereas, Mr. Jordan has served the Towns, County and State in many ways both publicly as our Lieutenant Governor and privately as a philanthropist and major industrial owner, operator and employer to many of our citizens; and

Whereas, from his kindness, generosity and modesty there are countless deeds and contributions by Mr. Jordan that often go unrecognized.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that Montgomery County Board of Commissioners is officially recognizing Mr. Robert “Bob” B. Jordan, III as a “Gentleman and a Dedicated Public Servant”; and

Be It Further Resolved, that Montgomery County Board of Commissioners on this 16th day of September, 2003 does hereby petition the North Carolina Department of Transportation to

designate Highway 24/27 from the Pee Dee River Bridge through Montgomery County to the Moore County Line as the Robert “Bob” B. Jordan, III Highway.



William D. Maness, Chairman
Montgomery County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Laura B. Morton
Clerk to the Board
Montgomery County Board of Commissioners

Approval of Lease Financing w/ BB&T Governmental Finance

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Bostic, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the lease financing with BB&T Governmental Finance for the new maintenance truck. (Mr. Matthews informed the board that three quotes were received and BB&T's was the best).

Adoption of Schedule of Values

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Corbett and so the motion to issue an order adopting the schedules, standards, and rules to be used in appraising real property at its true value and at its present-use value carried unanimously. (*The public hearing was held at August 19, 2003 meeting*).

Adoption of Economic Development Resolution

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Bostic, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the Economic Development Resolution as follows:

Montgomery County, North Carolina

RESOLUTION

To Make Quality Job Creation and Economic Recovery The Highest Priority Of the United States of America And To Align Federal Funding and Policies in Support Of Economic Growth and Opportunity

WHEREAS, declines in urban high technology and rural traditional manufacturing have led to a rapid increase in North Carolina's unemployment rate, making the state's ranking the 5th worst in the country for 2002, AND;



WHEREAS, United States trade policies have placed domestically manufactured products such as textiles, furniture, apparel, and electronics at a competitive disadvantage, AND;

WHEREAS, these national trade policies have undermined the economic security of Montgomery County by erosion of manufacturing and service jobs, resulting in many citizens unable to maintain their quality of life, AND;

WHEREAS, Montgomery County, North Carolina has documented the loss of 1,049 manufacturing and service jobs as a result of business closings and permanent layoffs creating a current unemployment rate of 10.1 percent, AND;

WHEREAS, an estimated 42,200 people in North Carolina have exhausted all their unemployment benefits without finding a job, AND;

WHEREAS, the constitution of the United States was established and ordained in order to promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, AND;

WHEREAS, justice, security, and domestic tranquility are directly linked to the economic well-being of the citizens of Montgomery County, North Carolina, AND;

WHEREAS, we have a responsibility to pass on to our children a country with a sound economic foundation, so that they have the same opportunities previous generations have enjoyed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners unanimously encourages the Congress of the United States and specifically Senators John Edwards and Elizabeth Dole and Congressman Robin Hayes to make quality job creation and economic recovery the highest priority of the United States of America and to align federal funding and policies in support of economic growth and opportunity by enacting legislation and authorizing policies that protect and support the citizens of Montgomery County, North Carolina.



William D. Maness, Chairman
Montgomery County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Laura B. Morton
Clerk to the Board
Montgomery County Board of Commissioners

Approval of Budget Amendments

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Knight, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the following Health Department Budget Amendments: Bioterrorism in the amount of \$13,904 and Family Planning in the amount of

\$4,649. . (No County Funds) (A copy of this and all budget amendments/revisions are on file in the clerk's office)

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Bostic, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the PATT Grant for Cooperative Extension in the amount of \$2,000. (No County Funds) (A copy of this and all budget amendments/revisions are on file in the clerk's office)

Items Carried forward from the Work Session

Rural Center Grant Fund Resolution and Water Conservation Policy

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Chairman Maness and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the Rural Center Grant Fund Resolution and Water Conservation Policy.

Memorandum of Understanding Between the County and the State Department of Transportation

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Corbett, and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the Memorandum of Understanding Between the County and the State Department of Transportation

Scattered Site Housing Fees

In a motion made by Commissioner Bostic, seconded by Commissioner Knight, and so the motion carried unanimously to waive any required county permit fees that the Scattered Site Housing Grant does not cover.

Airport Height Ordinance

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Morris and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the Airport Height Ordinance for the Montgomery County Airport.

Samarkand Resolution

Commissioner Bostic asked about the Samarkand Resolution he mentioned in the work session.

Chairman Maness and Mr. Matthews asked him to get the wording together for the next meeting. Commissioner Bostic agreed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

William D. Maness, Chairman

Laura B. Morton, Clerk to the Board